

**§ 648.3 What activities may the Secretary fund?**

(a) The Secretary awards grants to institutions of higher education to fund fellowships in one or more areas of national need.

(b)(1) For the purposes of this part, the Secretary designates areas of national need from the academic areas listed in the appendix to this part or from the resulting inter-disciplines.

(2) The Secretary announces these areas of national need in a notice published in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1135, 1135a)

**§ 648.4 What is included in the grant?**

Each grant awarded by the Secretary consists of the following:

(a) The stipends paid by the Secretary through the institution of higher education to fellows. The stipend provides an allowance to a fellow for the fellow's (and his or her dependents') subsistence and other expenses.

(b) The institutional payments paid by the Secretary to the institution of higher education to be applied against each fellow's tuition, fees, and the costs listed in § 648.62(b).

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1135c, 1135d)

**§ 648.5 What is the amount of a grant?**

(a) The amount of a grant to an academic department may not be less than \$100,000 and may not be more than \$750,000 in a fiscal year.

(b) In any fiscal year, no academic department may receive more than \$750,000 as an aggregate total of new and continuing grants.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1135)

**§ 648.6 What is the duration of a grant?**

The duration of a grant awarded under this part is a maximum of three annual budget periods during a three-year (36-month) project period.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1135)

**§ 648.7 What is the institutional matching contribution?**

An institution shall provide, from non-Federal funds, an institutional matching contribution equal to at least 25 percent of the amount of the

grant received under this part, for the uses indicated in § 648.63.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1135b, 1135c)

**§ 648.8 What regulations apply?**

The following regulations apply to this program:

(a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) as follows:

(1) 34 CFR part 74 (Administration of Grants to Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and Nonprofit Organizations).

(2) 34 CFR part 75 (Direct Grant Programs).

(3) 34 CFR part 77 (Definitions that Apply to Department Regulations).

(4) 34 CFR part 79 (Intergovernmental Review of Department of Education Programs and Activities).

(5) 34 CFR part 82 (New Restrictions on Lobbying).

(6) 34 CFR part 85 (Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement) and Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)).

(7) 34 CFR part 86 (Drug-Free Schools and Campuses).

(b) The regulations in this part.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1135)

**§ 648.9 What definitions apply?**

(a) *Definitions in EDGAR.* The following terms used in this part are defined in 34 CFR 77.1:

Applicant  
Application  
Award  
Budget  
Budget period  
Department  
EDGAR  
Equipment  
Grant  
Nonprofit  
Project period  
Secretary  
Supplies

(b) *Other definitions.* The following definitions also apply to this part:

*Academic department* means any department, program, unit, or any other administrative subdivision of an institution of higher education that—

(i) Directly administers or supervises post-baccalaureate instruction in a specific discipline; and